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In re Patent Application of:
Jun-Ichi Kawakami et al.

Application No.: 10/500,999

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Filed: October 1, 2004

Art Unit: 1626

For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING FUSED
IMIDAZOLE COMPOUND, REFORMATSKY
REAGENT IN STABLE FORM, AND
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

Examiner: L. Stockton

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.